Many Pleasant Events Crowded Into "At Home" - A German - Married

Ladies' Enchre Club-Personal.

past seven days have not been marked by the wild rush of galety that should characterize these last days of the "season," Somehow the machinery is not whirling with the force that generally keeps it going so fast and furipus in the few weeks prior to Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Yes, it is almost here. Only two weeks more will find us giving up the world. the flesh and the devil. For forty long days we will devote ourselves to things of a more spiritual nature. While this season has been a very deto be had, yet very few large private functions have been given, and the amount of entertaining has not been quite up to the standard.

One of the prettiest and most enjoyable card parties of the season was given Wednesday afternoon by the Misses Myers at their home, on Bute street, in honor of Miss Dalsy Burwell, of New York. The parlors were most tastefully decorated with pairs and potted plants, while in all the cosy alcoves stood lamps and candelabra, the soft lights from which gave the rooms a most picturesque appearance. For about two hours the guests were thoroughly absorbed in the ever fascinating game of progressive euchre, the score being kept on attractive cards of green, tied with dainty pink ribbons. Miss Burwell receiving the greatest number of stars was awarded the dirst prize, a gauze fan, while Miss Mary Reid, cutting the highest card in the deck, carried home a pretty belt as the consolation, and Miss Borden received a souvenir cup and saucer as a booby prize.

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After much merriment over the awarding of prizes refreshments of a most tempting nature were served on the card tables. The guests on this occasion were: Mrs. Robert Voight, Mrs. Walter Taylor, Mrs. John Wingfield, Mrs. Martin Greenwood, Mrs. Victor Parks, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. E. B Hodges, Miss Burwell, Miss Simcoe, Miss Borden, of Winston, N. C.; Miss Leta Serpell, Misses Hamilton and Mary McCarrick, Miss Mary Reid, Miss Parr, of Bedford City. Pollard, or Record of Bedford City.

One of the prettiest and most delightful affairs of the season was the dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parker Breese in honor of the first anniversary of their marriage. The affair took place Thursday evening in one of the pretty little private dining-rooms of the Monticello Hotel. The decorations were rink, an enormous bowl of pink carnations and ferns forming the center piece. The dinner cards were decorated with tinted Gibson heads and tied with bink ribbons. Covers were laid for fourteen and an elaborate menu discussed. Those who accepted Mr. and Mrs. Breese's hospitality on this occasion were: Miss Helen Bailou, of Providence, R. I.; Miss Virginia Wrenn, Miss Mary Williams, Miss Mary Nash, Miss Alice Moore, Mr. W. W. Sale, Mr. Aaron Milhado, Mr. A. Brooke Taylor, Mr. Casey B. Morgan, U. S. N.; Mr. James McCaw and Mr. William Hopkins, U. S. N. One of the prettiest and most delight-

Miss Emily Allyn will entertain the members of her card club Monday evening at her home, on Bute street. This promises to be an enjoyable occasion for those who will be present.

Another event of importance which will take place this, week will be the german at the Chamberlin Tuesday evening. These dances have won such a reputation for themselves that it is useless to say anything in their behalf.

Monday evening Mrs. Tessler, of Bostom, entertained a party most delightfully. The occasion was a theatre party to witness the superb production of "The Musketeers," by Mr. James O'Neill and his excellent company. The party occupied one of the boxes at the Academy and after enpoying the plays are erry, and after enpoying the play, repaired to the home of Miss Freeman, where a delectable supper awaited them. Those who comprised this party were Mrs. Tessier, Mrs. C. R. Emerich, Miss Elizabeth Freeman, Mr. Kensie Johns and Mr. Harry Keeling.

The Misses Reed entertained a number of their friends most charmingly Tuesday afternoon at their home on York street. The occasion was a tea and was given in honor of their guests, Mrs. Zell, of Baltimore, and Miss Sue Tunstall, of Washington. The parlors and dining room had been tastefully decorated for the event. Palms abounded in profusion, and pink and white carnations were much in evidence, lending their beauty and fragrance to the scene. In the dining room pink ribbons and candelabra, with the shades of the same tint, added to the general effect, which was good. Miss Lula Reed, assisted by Mrs. Zell, Miss Tun-

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Among the guests were Mr. Charles Parker Bruse, Mrs. Everitt St. John, Mrs. Jas. F. Cecil. Mrs. Clinton K. Curtis, Mrs. John H. Wingfield, Mrs. A. P. Wilmer, Mrs. William H. White, Mrs. Fergus Reid, Mrs. George Reed, Mrs. Thomas J. Randolph, Mrs. Floyd Hughes, Mrs. Geoffrey Morgan, Miss Lidle Lane, of Auburn, Ala.; Miss Masteinne Meade, of Richmond; Misses Lula and Dalsy Brookes, of West Point, Va.; Miss Nan Kensett, of Eastville: Miss Katherine Farnsworth, of Orange, N. J.; Miss Sadie White, of Abingdon; Miss Rebecca Nash and Miss Margaret

Rainy Day Skirts.

The new skirts are here, with the Watteau Plaits.

We price them to you at \$3.50, \$5.00, \$5.49, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$11.00. 

# Miller, Rhoads & Co.

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To everyone subscribing for Standard & worth of Patterns free.

# We Strongly Urge Early Buying, Because:

The time is here; you must have Spring and Summer Clothing; you cannot but lose money by putting off your purchases. For years prices of all commodities kept falling, falling. But things have changed during the past year, and everything is steadily advancing in price, some 10 per cent., some 25 per cent. and 50 per cent.; yes, we know of certain articles which have absolutely doubled in price. Our buyers were shrewd and placed orders early, thereby getting many a pick-up at the old prices.

We desire to call special attention to our Magnificent Stock of Silks, Dress Goods, Wash Goods, White Goods, Linens, Laces, Embroideries, Infants' and Ladies' Muslin Underwear and Household Supplies. A visit to "Norfolk's Busy Store," where these things are sold, will convince that what we say is right.

# New Spring Dress Goods.

The beautiful effects in New Spring Dress Goods, harmonious colorings, rich and dignified in each piece or pattern, produce a combination of elegance that wins admiration of all lovers of handsome textures. Prices based upon contracts made with the importer and manufacturer before the great advance.

We are going to make this the Greatest Dress Goods Year in the history of "Norfolk's Busy Store."

"Glen Gairn" Scot h Uweeds. This is a distinct style and is the most effective suiting of the season. Just enough color is interwoven to give character to the cloth. They are 56 inches wide, and come in Grey, Blue, and Cadet; Tan Brown, and Mastic; Dark Grey, Black and White; two tones of Grey and a little Red. Nothing better for a Suit or Skirt. Price \$1.25.

Plaids at a popular orice. They are 37 inches wide. The color schemes are new, in Grays and Black, Brown, White, etc., having a decided freshness. Price 50c.

"Glen Gairn" Scot h Uweeds. This is choice wool, and are of extremely fine texture.

New Venetians. This fabric is becoming more popular every day. Our Spring offering includes some extra values, and some of the shades that are not easily obtained. The new Bright Blues. French, Royal, Navy, Castor, Cardinal, Gray and Black. Handsome finish and even texture.

Colored Cheviots. Another exceptionally good value. They are made of "worsted yarns," and can be relied upon to give perfect satisfaction. Cadet,

White, etc., having a decided freshness. Price 50c.

42 inch Twilled Worsteds at a low price, and for a good servicable article, are hard to get. Garnet. French Blue, Cardinal, Black, Tan. Price 25c. Camel's Hair Cheviot. Here is another favorite. The hairy effect is not overdone, just enough to relieve the plainness. A full range of Grays, Light Medium and Dark, and Tan, 56 inches wide at \$1.00.

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New Henricttas. If there is any one line we are strong in it is this. They were bought before the advance. They are strictly All Wool and from one of the best foreign makers. We can give you Blue or Jet Black. 38 inches wide, 39c: 42 inches, 45c; 44 inches, at 50c to \$1.00.

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Colored Cheviots. Another exceptionally good value. They are made of "worsted yarns," and can be relied upon to give perfect satisfaction. Cadet, Cardinal, Navy, Brown, two Greens, Purple and Black. 55 inches. 75c.

Zebolines. This is another weave that will be given no little atteation. It never creases or wears slick, making a smart Spring suit. Brown, Green, Grays. These are 56 inches wide. \$1.

Black Broad Cloths. We are showing some of the best values ever offered by us. Prices are 75c to \$2 50.

Colored Taffetas. Here is where we can do you some good. These were purchased in advance and you reap the benefit. An elegant quality and a fine range of shades. Tan, Browns, Grays, Blues, Reds, Greens, Purples, Pinks, Cadets. 19 inches. 75c.

Black Taffeta. A special number. Fine even texture, a rich lustrous black, and at present prices we cannot duplicate it. 23 inches. 75c.

Black Satin Duchesse. If you are looking for an extra nice quality, this will give you service, and has a rich elegant lustre. 23 inches wide. Price \$1.50.

## New Spring Neckwear for Ladies.

It may be a trifle early, this showing, but better than late. The search for Best Styles has been going on diligently for a month or more. The result awaits your viewing now. All of it is American, though much of it is imitation of Paris products.

New ideas in Stock Collars, with bow; new styles of Jabots, most attractively trimmed; Revers of Lace and all the latest shapes.

White Mull Ties, 45 inches long, neatly edged with dainty patterns of embroidery, several beautiful styles to select from, 15c, 17c, 19c and 25c.

A splendid assortment of White and Black Lace Ties, exquisite patterns, all widths and lengths, 50c, 75c, 98c and \$1.25.

White and Black Liberty Silk Ties

such beauties that to describe them each.

would be impossible ; Black, White and every color, 50c up to \$350 each.

Chiffon and Lace Fichus, of all kinds.
They will be in great demand this
Spring, and are considered the correct
idea, \$1.25 to \$4.25 each.

Black Lace Ties, exouisite patterns, all widths and lengths, 50c, 75c, 98c and \$1.25.

White and Black Liberty Silk Ties are quite popular and are here in great profusion, edged with lace, ribbon, or fringe, 50c to \$1.39 each.

Stock Collars, with handsome Jabots attached; in this assortment you will find every new style imaginable and such beauties that to describe them

### Furs—The Annual Loss.

Radical price reductions on Furs on account of the remarkably mild season, up to date, and an immense stock prepared for a cold Winter's trade. Our loss our customers' gain. Here are some of the items :

Fur Scarfs and Collarettes, \$5.00 for \$15.00 grade; \$12.50 for \$16.50 \$8.00 grade; \$5.93 for \$3.50 grade; \$15.00 for \$21.50 grade; \$16.50 for \$25.00 grade; \$19.50 for \$27.50 grade; \$5.50 for \$15.00 grade; \$10.50 grade;

# New Shirt Waists for Spring.

A half hour spent in our Shirt Waist Department any time this week will give unusual pleasure to every lady. It will be our first showing of New Shirst Waists to be worn this season. Nearly six months ago we began planning for 1900, and are quite sure that you will see a be jutiful assortment of Waists.

Several styles of Percale Shirt Waists in Figures and Stripes, including Plain, Light Blue and Pink Percale. We say 50c.

White Lawn Waists, trimmed with three rows Light Blue and Pink Lawn. A beauty at 75c.

White Pique, White Lace Stripes Lawn and Percale Shirt Waists, with full inserting front, at \$1.25.

# New Spring Gloves.

Fashion's correct ideas are represented in our Glove Department. We handle none but Imported Gloves and ones that we can recommend for style, durability and fit.

The Victoria is our Dollar Glove; we have it in all colors, with the new style stilching. Fully guaranteed, \$1 a pair. Saxon Beauty, at \$1.25, is here in the new Oaks, Modes, Pearls, Light Tans, and several other good shades. A guaranteed Glove.

Perrin's Gloves have no equal; we have them in all the new colors, with the new Paris pointing. \$1.50 a pair.

Gray and Mode Suede Gloves are the correct styles, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.33, \$1.50.

# Reductions in Tailor Made Suits.

\$10.00 Tailor Made Suits, now	\$ 7.50
\$18 and \$20 Tailor Made Suits, now	\$12.50
\$25.00 Tailor Made Suits, now	\$15.00
\$27.50 Tailor Made Suits, now	\$16.50
\$35.00 Tailor Made Suits, now	\$25.00
\$ 5.00 Silk Waists, Black and Colors	\$ 3.98
\$ 7.50 Silk Waists, Black and Colors	\$ 5.00
\$10.00 Silk Waists, Colors and Black	\$ 7.50
\$ 5.00 Cloth Coats, all sizes, now	\$ 1.98
\$ 9.00 Cloth Coats, priced now	

# SHIRT SALE—\$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 SHIRTS, 89c.

These Shirts are made from the Finest Sea Island Percales and Madras Cloths; me have two Collars and pair Cuffs; some have pair Cuffs 50c. MEN'S and BOYS' SHIRTS, 29c.

These Shirts are well made and have a separate pair of Cuffs to match. All This Season's Styles. Complete Line of Sizes. Sizes 12 Boys', to 17 Men's.

75c., 69c. SHIRT'S, 49c.

This line of Shirts has two separate Collars and pair Cuffs and separate Cuffs. All the Very Newest Styles. Nice Neat Patterns. Fast Colors. Don't forget the price—49c. (See window display.)

25c. ENGLISH MERINO SOCKS, 121/2c.

One lot of English Merino Half Wool Socks, double soles and heels. Reduced from 25c to 121/2c a pair.

50c. MEN'S INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, 25c.

Men's Broken Assortment Initial Handkerchiefs. Hand Embroidered. Pure Linen. Reduced from 50c to 25c apiece. Only three to a customer.

50c. PUFF TIES, 25c.

One lot of Men's 50c Puff Ties Reduced to 25c apiece.

25c. and 371/sc. UNDERWEAR, 17c. Men's Plain White 371/2c Shirts and Drawers, and Men's Camel's Hair Shirts

25c. BOYS' OUTING WAISTS, 121/2 c.

Just a small lot of these Boys' 25c Outing Flannel Waists left. Enough for Monday's selling. Medium sizes. The Best Bargain of the Season-

#### Notion Sale.

Here, as usual, will be found all the most desirable kinds of Notions and Dress Makers' Findings. Each week's selling goes to demonstrate that you will not find as good values elsewhere. Note prices:

Black Dressing Pins Ic a box.
Black Dressing Pins, jet heads, three
boxes for 5c, instead of 5c a box.
The Shakespeare Pin Books, mixed

black and white pins, worth 8c a paper, but we say 5c.
Taylor's Small Pin Books 3c instead

of 5c. Ne-Plus-Ultra English Dressing Pins, all sizes, 10c paper.

The celebrated Sandow Needle Points
White Dressing Pins, 3c a paper con-

taining 400 pins.
The Miller Rhoads & Co.'s Special English Pins, assorted black and white,

English rins, asserted better an annual care of the Rhine Pin Books, containing ten safety pins, 60 English white dressing pins, 15 dull and bright head veil pins, and 15 white and colored veil pins for the pince.

Patent Hooks and Eyes, black and white, ic a card.

A special lot of Ladies' and Childrens' Colored Lisle Hose Supporters, 10c quality, fee S.

ity, for 5c
English Hair Pins, two papers for 1c-

Hair Pin Cabinets, assorted pins, 5c.
Handsome Ruffled Garter Elastics, in
Pink. Blue, Red, and Yellow, worth
12/cc a yard; we say 8c.
Handsome Wide Ruffled Garter Elas-

Cics, 15c. instead of 25c.
Good Needles 1c a paper.
Needle Books 3c.
Eureka Cream Shoe Polish 5c.
Rosso Cream Shoe Polish 5c.
Whitmore's 25c Elite Vici Kid Combination Polish 19c.
Baby Elite Vici Kid Combination Shoe Polish 10c.
The Trilby Polish, in Black and Tan, for Ladies' shoes 22c.
Large Eunches of assorted widths of

Tan, for Ladies' shoes 22c.

Large Eunches of assorted widths of Tape 5c.

Cotton Tape, all widths, 1c.

Linen Corset Laces, 21/2 yards long,

two for 5c.
Corset Laces Ic each.
Elack and Tan Mohair Shoe Laces 2c
a pair, instead of 5c.
9 yard Rolls Bone Casing 5c. instead

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Envelope Sachet Powders 5c, instead Packages of wire-looped Manilla Toi-

Packages of wire-looped Manilla Toi-let Paper 3c, instead of 5c. Clark's Mile End Darning Cotton, three spools for 5c. Kid Gurlers 3c a dozen. Curling Irons, all sizes, 3c. Crimping Pins 5c dozen. 4 oz. Boutles Machine Oil 3c.

#### Wash Fabrics Welcome.

The pleasantest word of the year we have to speak today—New Wash Goods. There are Silks richer, Woolens of greater worth and statelier grace, but there is charming daintiness, and exquisite delicacy to Cotton weavings, as we know how to make them today, which wins our hearts. Perhaps it is because they hint of Spring time, with birds and flowers, or that they are newer. We are only learning the possibilities in weaving and printing Cotton. The designers of Silks and Woolens are working over, re-combining; the maker of Wash Goods is

Yard wide Light Percale, new dainty |

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Sea Island Dimity, in every conceivable style of this season's printing: Stripes, all-over figures, polka dots and fleur de lis; patterns others would ask 17c. Our price 12½c.

Fine Sea Island Jaconal. A thin sheer muslin, White and Solid Color grounds, small and large designs, for 10c a yard.

Marlboro Cloth, with Mercerized finish, in Blue, Black and Layender grounds, with white figures; a fairic just heavy enough to make up without linings, 17c a yard.

Oxford Madras Cloth, the ideal fabric for Ladies' waists and Gents' shirts, in appropriate patterns, 25c yard.

Erazil Cloth. A fabric for fineness and beauty that will have to be seen to be appreciated, stripe and polka dot ef-fect; stripe with bow-knot effect, and other new styles, 17c yard.

Now is your chance to buy one of the greatest bargains of the season. Ten Patterns of the Finest Impurted French Organdies, large floral patterns. Last season's price was 39c. To close up quick we make the price

Solid Color Pique, in delicate shades of Light Blue and Pink, 19c a yard.

#### Babies' Clothes and Underwear.

Low prices on Babies' apparel. This year these prices are especially attractive because of the general advance in cost of raw materials, which we escaped only by making extremely early preparations for this sale. Whothers will find a wonderfully good assortment of good things in our Infants' Department.

Infants' Long Dresses, 50c, 75c, 89c, \$1.00, \$1.19, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, up to \$3 95.

Infants' Short Dresses, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.75, \$3.25 and \$3.95. Infants' Bibs, 8c, 10c, 121/2c, 15c and

Infants' Bootees, 10c, 121/c, 15c, 17c, 19c, 20c and 25c.

Infants' Sacques, 50c, 59c, 75c, 89c and \$1,25.
Misses' Gowns, sizes 1, 2, 3, at 39c, 45c and 50c; sizes 2, 3, 4, 5, at 55c and 59c; sizes 3, 4, 5, at 55c, 60c and 65c.
Misses' Gowns, sizes 2, 6, 7, at 75c; sizes 6, 7, at \$1.00.
Misses' Short Skirts, 14c, 19c, 39c, 50c. 75c and 87c.
Nurses' Aprons, at 10c, 25c, 39c, 49c, 65c and 75c.

in the stall and Miss. Shifts, Processed the second Prances Italy and Miss Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Carris, Miss Ross Repetation and Miss Josephus Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Carris, Miss Ross Repetation and Miss Josephus Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Carris, Miss Ross Repetation and Miss Josephus Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Carris, Miss Ross Repetation and Miss Josephus Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Carris, Miss Ross Repetation and Miss Mary Rath Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Carris, Miss Ross Repetation and Miss Mary Rath Ratherine Health, Miss Ruth Ferebe, Miss Rather

then served on the card tables. Those present were Miss Taylor, of Fredericksburg; Miss Edith Tunis, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Walke, Miss Elizabeth Lauder, Miss Landon Walton, Miss Josephine Cooke, Miss Ida Gordon, Miss Alice Ramsay, Mr. George Loyall, Mr. William Shields, Mr. R. L. Dobie, Mr. Aaron Mili ado, Mr. Pearson Williams, Mr. James Goode, Mr. John Winn, Mr. R. Calvert Taylor, Mr. Wallington Hardy and Mr. Worthy Smith.